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## THINGS DULY OBSERVED.

### COMMENTS AND OPINIONS IN TYPE.

#### What is Heard, Seen, Learned and Pertinently Suggested to the Multitude.

It does one good to get away from home occasionally to see what the busy outside world is constantly doing and the improvements that nature is daily adding to mother earth. To remain at home year after year; although reading the papers we on our small portion of God's footstool are apt to lose sight of the fact, that we are not the only ones that prosper, falling to give our neighbors and friends credit for what they really have accomplished. The world is so large that in our limited sphere we are apt to get "rusty" thus permitting our idea to become enamored with an indifferent sense as to everything beyond our contented circle. Many of my intelligent readers delight to peruse the letters sent from the resorts by tourists and are oftentimes heard to remark that they will soon enjoy such pleasures, but ah, that time never comes. They live day after day, enjoy three meals every twenty-four hours, do their ordinary routine of work, go to theatre occasionally and at the close of each day partake of the refreshing sleep that puts them on their feet again for another brief period. Thus they live from beginning to close of each year, hoarding up their wealth, either in small or large quantities, and when death comes they pass away ignorantly none the less, but close a life of aught but usefulness. Usefulness is certainly a charm, excellent in its way but 'all work and no play makes Jack a sleepy boy,' and I really think we owe it to nature and ourselves to leave home and every day to take occasionally to brush up, enjoy that which nature has provided and to become posted generally in our humble manner on the lay of the land, the people and the world in a limited way generally. Away from home we enjoy new scenes that are ever attractive as well as exciting, we meet substantially a different class of people, this however depending on the distance we journey. We have an opportunity to see nature in other fields, become acquainted with people, one of the most essential points of this being a chance to study human nature. In the latter we find a field of entertainment that is ever interesting as well as pleasant. We compare others with ourselves, either for better or worse, note their customs, observe their manners, catch ideas as to their opinions, etc. The world is constantly busy, and in the through we have ample opportunity to learn much in an occasional jaunt that we would otherwise not be benefited by. On the return and once again settled at home, we can better appreciate life and its local surroundings.

I am of the opinion that Iowa and its legislature has given that state the "razzle-dazzle" as regards the railroads and the conveniences in travel that its people have heretofore enjoyed. At the recent meeting of that honorable body, it was decided to again reduce the passenger fare from two and a half cents per mile to two cents. This certainly is a very low rate, in fact lower even than the old east ern states, where travel is greater and less divided. As a consequence nearly every road in Iowa has taken off all its principal trains and instead of running fast through trains between prominent points, have put on the old time slow local trains and cut down the service to as small as possible. Heretofore where two and three trains were run daily each way, now but one does the traffic. This mode of operation has up to date been put into effect only on lines that depended mostly on Iowa business for their support, but now comes the climax, and in Nebraska and in fact the entire country will have to suffer. Commencing next week all "flyers" "G Whiskers," "Eli's" and other pets known to the travelling public as fast trains, will be entirely discontinued between Chicago and Denver. The time tables will be modified and instead of increased speed and quick communication, we will have to content ourselves with the former slow order of locomotion—and all on account of Iowa and her unwise laws.

It seems to be the special hobby of western legislatures nowadays to pounce down, about the first thing every session, on the railroads. The hayseeds are told that the railroads are robbing the people and they no sooner hear it than believe it and I might add, that in many cases, this perhaps is only too true, yet there is a limit to legislation and too much proves disadvantageous, which Iowa will learn very soon if she has not done so already. Railroad corporations are not unlike business firms. They are in that branch of usefulness to make money and like any private individual, want all they can get. Of course I don't want it understood that I favor railroad robbery or that I champion the railroad cause, but there is a limit to all things, which applies to railroads as well as any one else. Railroads cannot be sustained without profit, no more than can a business house or newspaper, and at the rate recently fixed by the Iowa legislature, the roads have done perfectly right in discontinuing or cutting down the service. I think the prohibition state will satisfy itself on this soon enough and remedy the matter, at least for their own good, I hope so.

A young gentleman dropped in yesterday afternoon at a certain place downtown. Over the front door are three large, gilded balls. As he neared the counter he pulled from his vest pocket a crumpled bit of paper. Then he tried to tuck it back out of sight as he caught a glimpse of a friend who stood at the showcase. This friend tried to hurry another similar piece of paper out of sight. Each was caught in the act by the other, both looked sheepish, and both smiled. "What are you doing in here?" asked the last-comer of his friend. "Well," answered the friend, "a chunk of mine came up here from Omaha last week, had a good time and had to put his watch for money enough to get home. Now he has sent me the ticket and the money to redeem the time-piece. What brings you in

here?" he added. "Similar case, only my friend came Nebraska City instead of Omaha, and had to hook his stud instead of his watch. I'm redeeming it for him." Then the two young men finished the transaction of their business, looked at one another a second time, laughed again, and then went out and proceeded to get gloriously full in honor of the coincidence.

J. K. Emmett is playing "Our Fritz" at the Tabor in Denver this week with phenomenal success. While in the capital city of Colorado this week I stepped in to see the play for an hour Tuesday and Wednesday evening and I must confess I never saw a more fashionable or refined audience. The Tabor has a very pretty embroidered banner on which is wrought out in blazining yellow letters "Standing Room Only." This was displayed on both evenings and I was told that it had been the same on every night previous, much to the dismay of the late comers. "Our Fritz" has been somewhat altered and improved and as now produced is certainly a great success. The large audiences present testified their appreciation by long and hearty encores. Mr. Emmett graciously acknowledging the same nearly every time he sang. He is surrounded by a clever company, carries some fine scenery and certainly deserves the success he is meeting with. Emmet appears in Lincoln Saturday evening, April sixth.

Apropos, speaking of Emmet, I had a pleasant chat with his manager, who is none less than Mr. J. K. Emmet Jr., a bright young man of some twenty-five years old and son of the favorite comedian. Speaking of the success of "Fritz" he said: We are doing exceedingly well, but aside from this we are now rehearsing our new piece "Uncle Joe or Fritz in a mad house," every afternoon, except Saturday and at the conclusion of our Denver engagement go direct to Kansas City where the play will receive its first production. We have a weeks engagement at the Coates after which we play at Lincoln and jump from there direct to New York where we will open a ten weeks engagement with "Uncle Joe." It will be the initial presentation at American metropolis and we are preparing for it in magnificent style. Scenery, accessories, and costumes will be on a scale of grandeur and if it does not make a hit, it will not be for lack of money expended or hard work in preparation. The new piece is said to be a particularly attractive one, suited especially to Emmet's peculiar style. The company will include some of our brightest talent and I think will prove even a better success than "Fritz."

Last Saturday afternoon a party of young people who took part in the amateur theatricals at the Funke sometime ago, attended the matinee at the Peoples theatre on which occasion the Bourne Theatre Co. presented "Naval Engagements" the same bill in which the visitors had lately starred. Imagine the surprise of the party when it was announced from the stage that the ticket purchased by Miss Aileen Oakley had drawn the grand prize that had been on exhibition at Bar's all week. It was handsomely dressed in white satin and Miss Oakley has good cause to be proud of her new doll.

Business houses on South Eleventh. Two openings on the same day and on the same street speak well for the business outlook on this popular thoroughfare. The latest addition in the way of solid business houses is Wells' millinery and notion house, which made its initial bow to the Lincoln ladies on Thursday evening. The new store is a perfect model of neatness and completeness and is better adapted to the wants of its stock than any similar institution in the city.

Being a new store and carrying a new stock of goods, ladies can make a selection from the large variety of pretty things that will be superb. Hardy & Fitcher's, contents and the latest novelties in headwear. The "dark room" where ladies are enabled to see the effect of gas light on headwear, is a feature that cannot fail to meet with hearty approval. Mr. Wells is the first to introduce it in Lincoln and seems to thoroughly understand what the ladies require and has endeavored to supply it. The COURIER extends best wishes for the success that seems evident for them now.

Will furnish the Paddock. A contract was signed this week whereby Messrs. Hardy & Fitcher of this city will supply the new Paddock Hotel at Beatrice, with all the furniture required to furnish that beautiful new hostelry. We are told the chamber sets and parlor furniture will be very fine and in fact the entire furnishing will be superb. Hardy & Fitcher's contract alone amounts to nearly \$10,000. The house is to be opened April 26th, under the management of Mr. E. K. Criley, of the Windsor hotel of this city.

Bloch's Opening Thursday. The ladies of Lincoln have for some two weeks past heard of a new store to be opened in the dry goods line on O street, and will be pleased to learn that on next Thursday Bloch's new dry goods house will throw its doors open, and extend a cordial invitation to all to call. Music will be on hand to enliven the occasion and handsome souvenirs will be presented to every caller. The store room as well as the stock is a new one fitted with the choicest of staples, fancy goods and novelties and it will repay one and all to call, and be present on the opening day. See the firm's announcement on music page of this issue.

Help Wanted. For the benefit of the ladies who may have to pass through the common struggle of securing help, the COURIER will receive want advertisements for publication in the Daily Call want columns. Parties desiring help situations, boarders, or to rent rooms or rent houses can leave their advertisement at this office and they will be promptly delivered to the Call for publication. One cent a word per day is the expense.

Austin, Scott Co., Ind., Feb. 16, 1889.—I have given Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a thorough trial, and find it to be all more than is claimed for it. I would not be without it for double what it costs.—FRED J. NICHOLS. Sold by A. L. Shader, Druggist.

## RICH EASTER NOVELTIES.

### THE APRIL PUBLICATIONS NOW OUT.

#### A Word Concerning Some of the Good Things Just Received from the Publishers.

**Books Received.**  
THE BIRTHDAY BOOK, by Julia Ward Howe, in cloth, \$1. Lee & Shepard Publishers, Boston.  
THE SLAVES OF PALLY of the Rialto series by Wm. Horace Brown. Paper 50c. Rand McNally & Co., Chicago.  
FROM LADY WASHINGTON TO MISS CLEVELAND by Lydia L. Gordon. In cloth \$1.50. Lee & Shepard Publishers, Boston.  
DR. RAMEAN of the Rialto series by the author of "The Iron Master" etc. Paper 50c. Rand McNally & Co. Publishers, Chicago.  
OUR GLORIFIED, poems and passages of consolations, by Elizabeth Howard Foxcroft, in cloth and gilt edges \$1. Lee & Shepard Boston.  
LIVES OF OUR PRESIDENTS, with portraits, from Washington to Cleveland by John Frost L. D. In cloth \$1.50. Lee & Shepard, Boston.  
ANDREWSVILLE VIOLETS, a story of nothern and southern life by Herbert W. Collingwood. In cloth \$1. Lee & Shepard, Publishers, Boston.  
THE YOUNG BEST DAYS, a book for boys and girls, by the author of "Curfew Must Not Ring Tonight." Cloth \$1. Lee & Shepard Publishers, Boston.

Outing for April is a very strong sporting number. We note the following principal articles:—Climber Spinnels, by "Climber," with pen-and-ink sketches of champion climbers, by Marie Guise; Evolution of Form in College Rowing, by the Harvard Stroke, by E. M. Garnett; Big Game Hunting in the Wild West (The American Elk or Wapiti) by the late Brig. Gen. R. B. Marcy; and The Larchmont Yacht Club, by F. S. Pinckney, with illustrations from photographs of the club house and representative yachts. A Wheelman's Palatium, by J. William Fostick, is a very entertaining account of a trip through Normandy. Fishermen will be interested in Trout Fishing in the Gros Bois of Canada. Amateur photographers will read with interest and profit, Ellerslie Wallace's Amateur Photography. We note further, Not Guilty, the farce of "Admiral Game Protection" by G. H. Worde; Racing in England as it is by Border; Cricket in Australia, by G. H. D. Gossip; and Coursing in Ireland, by R. F. Welsh. Beneath the Pines, Diffegere Nives and What the Hand of God is Seen, are poems of unusual merit. The editorial departments are bright and attractive, and the records give a faithful resume of the achievements of our athletes.

In the March issue of *Carpentry and Building*, there is commended the publication of a series of designs of houses costing \$1,000 and \$2,000 each to build. Several months will be required to present all the designs that have been secured for the purpose, and the variety that will be shown it is believed, will rank above anything else ever attempted. The studies have been obtained through two competitions in which liberal cash prizes were offered, and include the work of architects in every part of the country. Each design is accompanied by a brief specification of construction and a detailed estimate of cost. This journal is published monthly. Subscription price \$1.00 per year, in advance at 67 Duane street, New York City.

#### LITERARY NOTES.

The April magazines will commence to appear the coming week.  
"The Message of the Bluebird," by Irene E. Jerome, appears as an old friend in a new dress, and is quite suggestive of that gladness of which the Bluebird sings.  
"Easter-Cards, Bonanzas, Villanelles, etc.," by Louisa Parsons Hopkins, author of the volume, "Breath of the Field and Shore" will make its appearance in charming new dress.  
"Gladiators of Easter"—includes selections from the soul stirring poems which celebrate the advent of Easter. They are poetic gems, and touchingly symbolic in their treatment of the glories of the resurrection, and the joyousness of the festival.  
"Faith's Festivals," by Mary Lakeman, in white clover, delicately ornamented with a design in gilt, cream white, gilt edge pages, tells in beautiful narrative style the story of the festivals which Faith celebrated from childhood to old age.  
"Daily Miniatures," will include twelve poetic contributions of which the people never tire. They are brought out this year in particularly attractive dress, the covers being of heavy Bristol board, with polished surface, ragged edges, decorative illustrations in manifold water colors and gold.  
The edition of 500 numbered copies of Lester Wallace's *Reminiscences* lasted scarcely a week after publication with the Scribners. Although the price of the book was ten dollars, the large portion of copies was subscribed for before the book was issued, and within a week the remainder were sold.  
The annual Easter time brings forth many of the choicest publications of the year. The delicate tints of Easter volumes seem to vie with nature as she puts on her most charming apparel, and in appearance, seem to wrap within themselves the tender sentiment which prevails all the associations entwined about Easter day. Lee & Shepard, Boston, will issue in attractive form some of their Easter books which have already acquired extensive popularity.

The B. & O. and the Inauguration. Between midnight March 3rd and noon March 4th, the B. & O. R. R. carried into Washington sixty thousand excursion passengers, in addition to its regular local and through travel. From three o'clock, afternoon of the 4th until midnight of the 5th, an equal number was carried from Washington. Allowing an average of 30 passengers to the car, including Sleeping and Passenger cars,

it required 1,200 cars to accommodate the multitude. Adding to this the necessary number of baggage cars to take care of the baggage of passengers and the supplies and paraphernalia of military companies, bands and marching clubs, it will be seen that the B. & O. hauled a train of 9 cars into Washington every fifteen minutes from midnight March 3rd, until noon March 4th, and cut of Washington every fifteen minutes from 3 p. m. of the 4th until midnight of the 5th.

In handling this immense volume of business in so short a time, not a single accident occurred and not a passenger was injured; not a car was derailed and not an engine failed to perform its allotted task. During all this time there was an incessant fall of rain and all our door work was invested with very depressing conditions.

The satisfactory manner in which this great movement was conducted reflects the highest credit upon the operating department of the B. & O. Company and indicates the promptness and intelligence with which each member performed his assigned share of the labor involved.

Church Notices go Free. It may not be generally known, but its fact nevertheless that the COURIER never charges—or never has charged, any church in the city for notices of meetings, societies etc., when given solely for the benefit of the church, and we take pleasure in announcing that we will accept and publish all items or notices for the city churches gratis. Notices of sermons will also find a welcome space. Bring in your notices.

A New Train. The connecting link between Nebraska and Kansas has just been placed in service by the Union Pacific railway. This train leaves Council Bluffs daily at 4:45 a. m.; Omaha at 5:45 a. m.; Valley at 6:30 a. m.; and runs through without change to Manhattan, Kansas, making direct connections there with the Kansas division of the Union Pacific railway for all points in Kansas and Colorado, west, bound, and for Topeka, Lawrence, Kansas City and points east and south via Kansas City.

Returning train leaves Manhattan at 2:25 p. m., arriving at Beatrice at 6:25 p. m., Lincoln at 7:50 p. m., Valley at 9:55 p. m., Omaha at 11:30 p. m., and Council Bluffs at 11:40 p. m., making direct connection with Kansas division trains from Kansas City, Lawrence, Topeka and the east, and from Denver, Salina, Abilene and all points west, enlisting passengers to visit the principal points in Kansas and Nebraska in the shortest possible time. These trains have first-class equipment, consisting of smoking cars and first-class day coaches of the latest pattern. The new train will fill a long-felt want and is bound to be popular from the start.

The Burlington Leads the Van. Withstanding reports to the contrary, the "Burlington" is still the quickest and by all odds the best route to Chicago and the east.

Our "flyer" leaving Lincoln at 1:40 p. m. daily, reaches Chicago at 8 o'clock the next morning in ample time for eastern connections. Through Pullman palatial sleepers, first-class smoking cars, sumptuous dinners and free reclining chair cars, comprising through solid vestibuled train, such as no other line pretends to run, they ain't built that way. When you have occasions to travel by sea and get the worth of your money, the "Burlington" alone can give it to you.

A. C. ZIEMER, City Pass. and Ticket Agent.  
How Postmaster Hill of Texas Got \$25,000. The telegram of the drawing of the Louisiana State Lottery, announced that Manor, Tex., had fallen heir to a portion of the \$600,000 prize. The lucky holder of part of the ticket was Postmaster John E. Hill, a deserving man. Although a staunch democrat (his father having been killed while serving in the Confederate army), Mr. Hill has the unanimous endorsement of the citizens of Manor for reappointment. With part of the money he drew last month he has bought a farm of 400 acres for \$10,000—Avada (Tex.), *Statesman*, Jan. 17.

Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway. Short line to Chicago and the east. Best dining cars in the world. Through sleeping cars to Chicago. The route of the first "Golden Gate Special."  
Best line to Washington for the inauguration of President Harrison.  
Only direct route to the G. A. R. Encampment at Milwaukee.  
Everything first-class.  
First-class people patronize first-class lines. Ticket agents everywhere in the west sell tickets over the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway.

New Train Service on the Northwestern. By the new arrangement Lincoln patrons of this route have the only parlor cars in service in the west at their free disposal between Lincoln and Missouri Valley, Iowa, the junction point of the Elkhorn line with the Northwestern R. R. proper. These cars are the same as used by this company between Chicago and Milwaukee and are the acme of railroad luxury and perfection in their appointments, which consists of smoking, toilet and card compartments in addition to the main saloon, to say nothing of the porter in charge, all of which are furnished with beautifully upholstered and comfortable great arm chairs and cushions except the prior whose furnishing is in genuine ebony.

Leaving Lincoln on the afternoon train in one of these cars the passenger arrives at Missouri Valley at 4:45 p. m. A wait of fifteen minutes now occurs to allow passengers for Chicago and the east to select seats in the finest coaches in the railroad service or secure the accommodations reserved in the sleeper allotted to Lincoln patrons. Starting again at 5 p. m., the passenger finds him or herself in an elegant car, a part of the Northwestern Line, a solid vestibuled train of coaches, sleeping and dining cars. Right here we will remark that the passenger is now in the "finest" train, running over the best track, and guided by the best service in the country. After a delightful run the train runs into Chicago on time at 8:25 a. m., in time to make the morning connections north, east and south. Don't talk our word for this but try this line the next time you go east.

## SEEN AT THE PLAY HOUSES.

### MATTERS MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC

#### A Review of the Past, a Word for the Present and Prospects for Future Amusements.

THE GORMAN'S IDEA OF MINSTRELSY. Funke's was packed Wednesday evening. From the time the doors were opened until the curtain arose a steady stream of people poured into the house. It was the occasion of the Gorman's Minstrelsy filling a return date, and the vast audience assembled there was ample evidence of the popularity of this organization. Doing away with the conventional first part was the Gorman's own idea and they were the first to put it into execution. In its stead is presented an interesting sketch entitled "Scenes at a Seaside Hotel" in which each member of the Gorman's has ample opportunity to give all his talent full sway. Mr. Brunton played all present with his rendition of "Baby Bunting" and Edwin Hovey by a new ballad of his own, "A Curl from the Baby's Head" brought down the house. All the specialty business was new and good and the afterpiece "The Pasha of Bagdad" was well put on.

Truly the Gorman's have a show they might well be proud of.  
THE BOSTON STARS' CONCERT CO. It's an odd, but nevertheless true, fact that Lincoln seldom turns out a large audience to witness a really meritorious concert company such as held the boards at the Funke last evening. The usual meagre crowd turned out however and were amply paid for their patronage. Mrs. Medora Henson Emerson is a charming vocalist and her rendition of the selections offered, captivated her hearers. Mr. John Thomas opened up a humorous vein in the hearts of the audience with his dialect songs and recitations, while Mr. Walter Emerson, sustained his title of the greatest living cornet player. It is a pity they did not have a larger house, they deserved it.

THE EDEN MUSEE OPENS. There was some hitch in the arrangements in regard to the opening of the Musee, Monday evening, ostensibly the non arrival of baggage and the opening had to be deferred until Tuesday afternoon. The Curio hall contains some really good features while others are of the ordinary class of attractions usually seen in a dime museum. Prof. Wallace's silk worm exhibition is a great study and the most interesting feature of the Musee. In the theatorium Prof. Wallace's performing goats are the drawing card, the perfectly trained animals giving a most exhibition, the Swiss bell ringers closing the entertainment with the bells. This evening closes the engagement of the weeks attraction and new people and new features take their places next week.

FOR ONE WEEK AT THE PEOPLES. Commencing Monday evening the Peoples theatre will present to its numerous patrons a treat in the way of the re-engagement of the old favorites, The Chicago Comedy Company who will appear nightly in all the latest and best of comedies and dramas, such as they are noted for carrying and it is unnecessary to mention the long list as every one who attended the past performances given by this company know exactly what they are and with what excellent effect they are rendered.

The engagement opens Monday evening in their greatest success entitled "Queens Evidence," and in order that all may attend on this opening night the prices have been put at 10, 20, and 30 cents.

Each person attending during the week will receive a chance on a handsome set of parlor furniture to be awarded the lucky ticket holder at the conclusion of the performance Saturday evening. Every body should avail themselves of the opportunity to see a good show and at the same time get a chance on a set of furniture.

"A HOLE IN THE GROUND" Hoyt's liveliest, brightest and wittiest farce, comedy, that famous satire on American travelers, which he calls "A Hole in the Ground" will be the attraction at the Funke Wednesday evening. The following letter from Mr. Hoyt the author says: "Many well-intentioned persons, in good faith, have complained of the present day writers of dramatic literature for not giving to the stage something of the grandly classic and poetic type; but have they stopped to consider that Shakespeare has supplied the demands for that class of work, and also he or somebody else has uttered a warning against attempting to gild refined gold or paint the lily? "A Hole in the Ground" is not a struggle to increase and improve the supply of dramatic poetry furnished by Shakespeare, but is a modest essay to present, in an amusing way a mild remonstrance against the petty, but infuriating insinuations heaped upon the travelling public by a minor class of railroad officials; perhaps, also to illustrate the annoyances which the aforesaid railway official has to stand from the travelling public. Trusting that the dice at the other fellows may prove pleasing to both sides, the author respectfully submits "A Hole in the Ground" as a farce comedy." The cast includes Geo. Richards as the Stranger and Frank Layton as the station agent both of whom are well known in Lincoln, together with a long list of names including many of the people we have seen in Hoyt's other plays; "Bunch of Keys" "Rag Baby" "The Soldier" etc. Seats go on sale Tuesday morning and a big sale is anticipated.

THE GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH. Without a doubt the theatrical event of the season will be the minstrel show at the Funke on Friday evening. No expense has been spared to make the show a success, and some of the "finest in the business" will lend a helping hand. The proceeds of the entertainment go to refurbish the club rooms of the Lincoln Lodge of Elks and their numerous friends in this city alone should fill the house. It should be distinctly understood that will they have on flaming dodgers or attractive lithographs announcing the event they will "get there just the same."  
No "cheatnutes" will be sprung and if you

have ever heard any of their business before you are entitled to a rain check at the door and same will be honored at the next entertainment. The public is cautioned not to confound this company with any other that has visited Lincoln in the last eighteen years as it does not and will not allow any one to join the company who has ever been with any other show. The "best" first part ever seen in Lincoln. The "best" on the entire company appearing in Lincoln. Do not miss it, you can't afford to. anyhow the boys expect you, so go. They'll be the best laugh of the season.

THE ATTRACTIONS AT THE SEASIDE HOTEL. Commencing Monday a Snooty at one o'clock another great bill will be presented to the patrons of the Eden Musee. By the way, the ladies and children should go in the afternoon if they want to see the curiosities and attend the stage performances without the jam and crush of the crowds as is the case in the evenings. On the program for next week is the following array of talent; in the Curio hall will be seen the finest mite of a body that ever held a human soul, a living being, an infant aged nine months old and weighing only sixteen ounces, one pound; Baby Gulliver, accompanied by her mother who is willing and ready at all times to exhibit her darling pet the fairy midget and readily answer all questions in regard to her. Mothers should take the children to see this infant marvel; the greatest novelty and wonder of all the so called midgets. Pretty in face and form she is the centre of attraction toward which the spectators are instantly drawn. Besides little Miss Gulliver will be seen the Lady Magician in astounding feats of Legger-dama; Ryders Art Gallery; Punch and Judy for the children and "Doc" Wars in his amazing and dexterous exhibition with the cards, a performance which has earned for him the sobriquet "The King of Cards."

In the Bijou Theatorium will be seen for the first time in this city the eminent actor and author Mr. Joseph H. Keene in his great character impersonation of "Mrs. Partington" introducing her son "Ike" together with a company of unusual merit. A picture of New Zealand life vividly portrayed with realistic scenery and effects. Truly a great bill and twenty cents will see it all, including a reserved seat in the theatre, general admission 10 cents only.

GREEN ROOM GOSSIP. The curtain will rise promptly at 8 o'clock, at Funke's on Friday evening. Ambulances and hearse may be called at 10:30. The Elk's benefit should receive unlimited patronage on Friday evening. The boys are feeling in the best of spirits and promise a grand good show. A glimpse at the program justifies this statement.

Ladies and children should attend the Musee in the afternoon as then they will have ample opportunity to see all there is to be seen. At night the crowd makes it impossible for them to enjoy the sights with any degree of satisfaction.

The report that Manager McReynolds will participate in the State Shooting Tournament, to be held at Norfolk in May, is without foundation. Mac says it is a cruel joke and has some reference to his recent duck hunt on St. Patrick's day.

Mary Anderson "Our Mary" is lying very ill in Philadelphia. Her physician reports that she is suffering from nervous prostration caused by overwork. It was reported that the lady "was out of her head" but her attendants deny the statement.  
Few people are aware of the fact that Stanley Wood, editor of that new and popular monthly, *The Great Divide*, of Denver and at the head of the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad's literary department is a brilliant author and a popular playwright. Stanley has just completed a new opera which has recently been accepted by a metropolitan company in Chicago. I regret that I am not at liberty to give its title etc. However, I will state that he is at present engaged in writing a three act play for Gus Bernard of New York to be produced by the St. Felix Sisters of whom he is manager. They will be seen in it during their coming American tour which will be directly after the close of their present engagement in London.

Tom Foley, the billiard man, says the *Chicago Herald*, came near making his appearance on the dramatic stage Thursday evening. It was not his fault that he did not, either. It came about in this way: Tom thinks as much of Roland Reed, the comedian, as though he were his own son, and whenever Roland plays he has a special once a day. Roland's success has pleased him greatly. Thursday he had no opportunity to leave his rooms, as the press billiard tournament kept him occupied, and he started out about 9 p. m. to call upon the comedian. He was directed around to the stage door of the Grand, where he found Jack Lyons, the back doorkeeper, who knew him as a friend of Reed's. "Where's Mr. Reed?" he asked, and then, before Jack had time to answer, Mr. Foley said, "Ah, he's in his," and he started for Reed, whom he saw on the stage. Just as he was about to step out to full view of the audience he was grabbed by Harry Smith, Mr. Reed's leading man, and hauled back. Tom nearly fainted with stage fright when told that he narrowly escaped going upon the stage when the curtain was up, but Roland was mad. "I would have given a \$10 note," he said, "to have seen Tom Foley walk on that stage. I would have been lively for him, I can tell you."

The novelties offered this season embrace a more complete variety of colors than were ever shown.  
Hersheiser & Co., have imported largely in novelty dress goods, fancy trimmings, Persian braids and buttons. They offer a line of all wool Huetzettes, yard wide at 8c. They show the most complete line of black silks. Wool goods in black, half mourning and colors, also fine line of bead wraps, shoulder shawls and peasant garments call on Hersheiser & Co., and see the best line ever shown in Lincoln at right prices.

Only three of these fine Kimball organs left at the special sale which closes Tuesday eve. This is a valuable cash sale and get it. Will give away monthly payments if desired.  
G. A. UNACKER & Co.  
211 - with 11th street.